



Mary Jo Grimm

October 1, 2021

Mary Jo Grimm, 78, formerly of Ross Street, Lancaster, PA, passed away peacefully at Maple Farm Nursing & Rehabilitation Center on Friday, October 1, 2021.

Born in Braintree, Massachusetts, she was the wife of the late John Henry Grimm, Jr., who passed away in 1997. She was the daughter of the late Havard and Ruth Herman.

Mary Jo was an active member of First Reformed United Church of Christ. She graduated from Millersville University with a Bachelor's Degree and earned her Master's Degree in Early Childhood Education from Temple University. She retired in 1999 from teaching kindergarten at George Ross Elementary School where she worked for 34 years fulfilling her passion of educating Lancaster's youth.

Mary Jo not only loved her family but also had many interests that brought her joy, one being able to travel. One of her favorite places was the beach, especially Wildwood, NJ, where she would go every year with family. She also enjoyed going to Myrtle Beach, SC. There are too many other destinations to name, however a favorite of hers was to go to Walt Disney World in Florida.

She is lovingly survived by three children, Michael J. Grimm, husband of

Carrie Petrarco Grimm, Ephrata, PA, Sharon L. Posey, wife of William G. Posey, McGaheysville, VA, and John Henry Grimm III, Lancaster, PA. She is also survived by her sister Jeanne Herman, Lancaster, PA and was preceded in death by her brother, John Herman.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend Mary Jo's funeral service at The Groff Family Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Inc., 528 West Orange St., (Corner of W. Orange St and Pine St.), Lancaster, PA 17603 on Saturday, October 9, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. with The Rev. Devin B. Jeffers officiating. Interment to follow at Greenwood Cemetery. The family will receive friends at The Groff's on Friday, October 8, 2021 from 6:00 – 8:00 P.M. and on Saturday from 9:00 A.M. until the time of the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to the Lancaster Education Foundation, 445 N. Reservoir St. Lancaster, PA 17602 or www.lancastereducation.com/contribute.

The funeral service will be livestreamed at : <https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/6934234662>

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery

Lancaster, PA 17603

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **8**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

OCT **9**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Jo Grimm*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *I had the pleasure of being her driver the past several years for the Styer beach vacation to wildwood crest. She was a delight bestest ROADIE PARTNER. kindness smiles talks and giggles. Snack stops. Aunt Mary Jo is NOW RESTING. She was happiest among family. She will be missed my many and surely by me. Love ya ROADIE!*



Lisa Lewis - October 08, 2021 at 11:49 PM



Former neighbor on Clay St. Teacher of my kids at Ross School. She was a fine person and will be missed by many.

Christie Kerr - November 02, 2025 at 05:40 PM



She was a gift to our kids.

Christie Kerr - November 02, 2025 at 05:41 PM



“ *Jim Styer lit a candle in memory of Mary Jo Grimm*



Jim Styer - October 08, 2021 at 05:05 PM

TM

“ So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you, Mike, and your entire family.

Tom McCarty - October 08, 2021 at 04:28 PM

SM

“ A kind, funny and compassionate lady. Mary Jo was always thinking of others.

Susan Grimm Mattox - October 07, 2021 at 07:01 PM

BD

“ Sharon, we're thinking of you and your family. I'm so very sorry for your loss and send love and peace during this time. Love, Becky

Becky Deloney - October 07, 2021 at 05:56 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Jo Grimm.



October 07, 2021 at 08:30 AM

WP

“ William M. and William G. Posey purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mary Jo Grimm.



William M. and William G. Posey - October 06, 2021 at 08:28 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Jo Grimm.*



October 06, 2021 at 11:41 AM



“ *Mrs Grimm was my kindergarten teacher, she will be greatly missed!*

Jessica Mullen - October 05, 2021 at 09:39 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Jo Grimm.*



October 05, 2021 at 07:18 PM



“ *I'm so sorry to see Mary Jo passed away. I remember working with her on her car insurance. I remember how tickled she was when she got the PT Cruiser. She was always so nice to work with. Bean Barton*

Bean Barton - October 04, 2021 at 07:31 AM

BS

“ Dear Jeanie and family: I am so sorry to hear of Mary Jo passing away. I have a heart full of memories of good times spent with her children and mine at church events . May our Lord Bless your family during this loss with strength and love. Sincerely Bonnie Hoffman Schlager

Bonnie schlager - October 04, 2021 at 07:24 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Mary Jo Grimm.



October 03, 2021 at 09:56 PM

DE

“ Eunice and I send our condolences to the entire Grimm family. Mary Jo was one of the sweetest and nicest people I had the honor of knowing. I had the pleasure of talking with her from time to time at certain events for radio, softball, and for AO Lancaster. She always took the time to talk with you, and couldn't have been nicer. And it was purely genuine. She was so supportive of Mike and even prouder of the son, husband and the man he became. She will live on in our hearts and memories, and will never be forgotten. Rest in peace, Mary Jo.

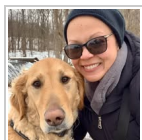
Declan - October 03, 2021 at 08:16 PM

SM

“ So sorry for the families loss. Prayers of comfort. Sherrie Morrid



Sherrie Morris - October 03, 2021 at 07:53 PM



“ Mary Jo was one of the kindest women I have ever met, and I had the pleasure of meeting her through her son Mike. Mike has been my softball teammate for over ten years and Mary Jo would quietly attend all of our softball games and sit in the outfield to observe and cheer us on. One of my fondest memories of her is seeing how proud and happy she was at Mike and Carrie's wedding. She just radiated pure joy! Mary Jo battled her illness with grace and silent strength. Although we will all miss her terribly, I take comfort in knowing that her pain and challenges are over. I have a feeling she will continue watching our softball games in the distant outfield bleachers, and I am sure she will show her loved ones that she is still with them. I look forward to hearing how she makes her presence known. To the entire Grimm family, you have my deepest and most sincere condolences. We are sending all our love to you during such a difficult time.

-The Mercandetti Family

Jenny Mercandetti - October 03, 2021 at 04:36 PM

RR

“ My deepest condolences to the family, I will miss my dear friend, always a happy person I will cherish our moments and going out together. I love you Rest In Peace in Jesus Christ, Rosamaria Ramos and family



Rosamaria Ramos - October 03, 2021 at 10:50 AM

RR

My deepest condolences to the family, I will miss my dear friend, always a happy person, I will cherish our memories, our moments and going out together, I love you friend rest in peace in Jesus Christ. Rosamaria Ramos and family. 🙏❤️🙏

Rosamaria Ramos - October 03, 2021 at 10:54 AM

SL

“ I did my student teaching in Mary Jo's kindergarten class in 1971. She was a wonderful mentor and her guidance was invaluable to me as I began my own 34 year teaching career. I thought of her often and I extend my deepest sympathy to her family and friends.

Sandra Neff Liscio - October 03, 2021 at 09:20 AM

MM

“ Mrs. Grimm was my Kindergarten teacher @ Ross many years ago. I later delivered newspapers to her as well. I am sure she was a very patient teacher as I recall several instances with classmates and myself that required it. My condolences to her family. May she rest in peace.

Mark Mowery - October 03, 2021 at 08:05 AM

SB

I, too, had Mrs. Grimm as my Kindergarten teacher. . .bless her heart, she had her hands full! My sympathies to her family and friends.

Stephanie Mowery Byers - October 09, 2021 at 01:41 PM